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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in the above-identified patent application. A listing of documents to be published on the face of any patent granted from this application is submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449. Any other documents or information submitted for consideration by the Examiner are listed in this paper. A copy of each U.S. and foreign patent, or each publication or portion thereof listed or herein identified, submitted herewith.

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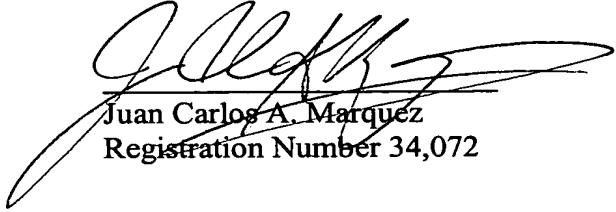
The Examiner is respectfully advised that the relevant point of the Japanese patents submitted herewith is that the shaft for integrally operating pulley and impeller has had hollow portion and mechanical seal has been provided on the shaft.

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the information provided in this paper in accordance with prescribed procedures.

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		6,561,756	5/13/03	Ozawa et al			9/19/01

Foreign Patent Documents

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							YES	No
		2003-254290	2/28/02	Japan			abstract	X
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